



**Maryland Commission
on LGBTQIA+ Affairs**

Health & Wellness Committee Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2025, 7:00pm - 8:00pm
Zoom Meeting

Members Present:

Mickey Dhir, Committee Chair
Anthony Fox, Vice Chair
Paula Neira

Members Absent:

Stephen Martin
Ex Officio: Lee Blinder

Staff Present:

Jeremy Browning - Director, Maryland Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs
Taylor Harer - Special Assistant, Maryland Commission on LGBTQIA+ Affairs
Peter DeMartino - Director, Infectious Disease Prevention & Health Services Bureau, MDH

- I. Meeting called to order by Committee Chair at 7:25pm.
- II. Committee Chair Dhir acknowledged housekeeping and meeting guidelines.
- III. Roll call was conducted by Committee Chair Dhir.
- IV. Approval of Agenda: The agenda was presented to the Committee and there were no comments or questions. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.
- V. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the 3.24.2025 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- VI. Guest Speaker: Peter DeMartino, Maryland Department of Health: Director DeMartino offered updates and insights related to HIV and STI treatment and prevention. The presentation was well received and provided an open dialogue for the Committee to ask questions and gain understanding on the future funding landscape and collaboration opportunities. Director DeMartino invited members of the Commission to attend the in-person June 12, 2025 HIV Planning Group meeting.

- VII. Discussion: 2025 Health & Wellness Committee Priorities - Due to time constraints, this item will be moved to the next meeting's agenda.
- VIII. Adjournment: The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00pm.

Meeting minutes submitted respectfully by: Taylor Harer, Special Assistant